(b) If so, whether this has since been cleared by the Central Government;

(c) Whether it is a fact that the Karnataka Government have also requested the Central Government to move the British High Commission for extension of the Associate Forest Research Project for a further period of five years from the 1st April, 1990; and

(d) If *so, the details thereof, indicating* the action taken by Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI RAMESHWAR THAKUR): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir.

(d) The project has been posed to the ODA(UK) for funding.

Income Tax and Wealth tax Returns Filed by Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu

3274. SHRI SUBRAMANIAN SWAMY: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to refer to the answer to UnStarred Question 2309 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 8th December, 1992 and state the date on which the *income tax and* wealth *tax returns were* filed by the Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI RAMESHWAR THAKUR): The Income Tax and Wealth Tax returns were filed on the dates indicated below:—

Assessment Year	Date
1990-91	20.11.92
1991-92	20.11.92
1992-93	23.11.92

बैंकों द्वारा बट्टे खाते में डाले गये कर्जे

3275. **श्री वीरेन जे० शाह:**
डा० जिनेन्द्र कुमार जैन:

क्या वित्त मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या यह सच है कि भारतीय रिजर्व बैंक के अनुदेशों के अनुसार राष्ट्रीयकृत बैंकों द्वारा प्रति वर्ष अदा न हो पाने वाले कर्जे को बट्टे खाते में डाल दिया जाता है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या यह भी सच है कि वर्ष 1990-91 के दौरान बैंकों द्वारा बट्टे खाते में डाले गए कर्जों की राशि 471.09 करोड़ रुपये थी;

(ग) यदि नहीं, तो इस संबंध में तथ्य क्या है;

(घ) क्या इस राशि में उन संस्थाओं की ओर, बकाया राशि भी शामिल है, जो एक मुश्त दस लाख रुपये या इससे अधिक राशि के कर्ज का भुगतान नहीं कर पाए हैं;

(ङ) यदि हां, तो उन संस्थाओं के नाम क्या हैं जिन पर दस लाख रुपये या इससे अधिक राशि के कर्जे थे और जिनकी कर्जे की राशि को इस वर्ष बट्टे खाते में डाला गया है; और

(च) क्या सरकार ने कर्जों को इस तरह बट्टे खाते डाले जाने की प्रक्रिया की समीक्षा करने के लिए कोई तंत्र बनाया है; यदि हां, तो उसका ब्यौरा क्या है?

वित्त मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री रामेश्वर ठाकुर): (क) से (च) भारतीय रिजर्व बैंक ने सूचित किया है कि चूंकि बैंक ऋणदाता संस्थाएं हैं, इसलिए उधार दी गई निधियों की सुरक्षा सुनिश्चित करने की समस्त प्रणालियों एवं प्रक्रियाओं के बावजूद कुछ ऋण अशोध्य हो जाते हैं। भारतीय रिजर्व बैंक ने बैंकों को विस्तृत मार्ग निदेश जारी किए हैं, जिनमें अशोध्य ऋणों को बट्टे खाते डालने से पूर्व ध्यान में रखे जाने वाले घटक निर्धारित किए गए हैं।

भारतीय रिजर्व बैंक ने अक्टूबर 1992 में बैंकों को यह परामर्श दिया है कि अलग-अलग बैंकों के निदेशक बोर्ड अशोध्य ऋणों/हानियों को बट्टे खाते डालने और समझौता प्रस्तावों के लिए विभिन्न अधिकारियों को शक्तियां प्रत्यायोजित कर सकते हैं, लेकिन यह उन सुरक्षापायों/शर्तों और रिपोर्टिंग के अधीन होगा, जिसे बोर्ड निर्धारित करे।

राष्ट्रीयकृत बैंकों को नियंत्रित करने वाली सांविधियों और बैंकरों में प्रचलित प्रथाओं एवं रीति-रिवाजों के

अनुसार, बैंक उन अशोध्य एवं संदिग्ध ऋणों, जिनके लिए उनके सांविधिक लेखापरीक्षकों की तसल्ली के अनुसार व्यवस्था की गई है, की मात्रा और बट्टे खाते डाली गई अशोध्य ऋणों की राशि प्रकट नहीं करते।

Waiver of Loan to Special Category States

3276. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state;

(a) whether it is a fact that Central Government propose to waive Rs. 1000 crores accummulated loans of the special category states;

(b) if so, the details of the special category States and the reasons for waiving of loans to these States;

(c) whether several States have not been repaying either their loans or the interest; and *

(d) if so, what steps Government propose to take to recover the loans and interest?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI SHANT RAM POTDUKHE): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) and (d) Statement is enclosed.

Statement

Waiver of Loan to Special Category States

The States of Assam and J & K have defaulted in repayment of their Central loan and interest of Rs. 468 crores and Rs. 144 crores respectively in 1991-92 and their liabilities have been carried over to 1992-93. Pending a decision on revision of royalty on crude oil by the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas, the outstanding loan repayment of Rs. 468 crores carried over from 1991-92 by Assam has been kept in abeyance. An Inter-Ministerial Group was set up by the Ministry of Finance in May, 1992 to suggest a solution to the financial imbalances faced by Assam, Jammu & Kashmir and Punjab. The report of the Group is under the consideration of Government of India. Pending the Government's decision on the report of the Group, recovery of loan and interest of Rs. 144 crores due from Jammu & Kashmir in 1991-92 has been kept in abeyance.

Moratorium upto 1991-92 was granted to Punjab on repayment of special term loans granted to Punjab from 1984-85 to 1990-91 and interest thereon. During 1992-93, Government of Punjab has to pay to Government of India an amount of Rs. 611.38 crores on account of the above as well as term loan sanctioned to the State Government during 1991-92. The State Government has, however, requested for moratorium during 1992-93 also on all special term loans from 1984-85 to 1991-92. Pending a final decision of the Government of India on the report of the Group, recovery of Rs. 611.38 crores from Punjab has been kept in abeyance.

In the current year, repayment of loans by States are being monitored very closely. States have been informed that in the event of default on due date for repayment, the outstanding amount would be recovered from States' entitlements for the following months. In particular, loan repayment by States with persistent ways and means difficulties are being attended to in a case to case basis.

Deafening Noise Amidst Advertisements on Doordarshan

3277. CHOWDHRY HARI SINGH: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether he is aware that during the telecast of programme on Doordarshan, whenever a feature programme is over and a series of advertisements are telecast, the pitch of sound of these advertisement is highly raised, producing a deafening noise; and

(b) if so, whether Government propose to take steps to stop this practice and make the pitch of all programmes and advertisements uniform in order not to harm eardrums of the viewers?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND